

COMMISSION ON IMPROVING THE STATUS OF CHILDREN IN INDIANA

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Commission on the Improvement of the Status of Children in Indiana was established in 2013 by the Governor and the Legislature to advance positive outcomes for children and youth in the State of Indiana.

To that end, the Commission, through the Statewide Reentry Task Force, has been involved with the OJJDP FY2014 Second Chance Act Comprehensive Statewide Systems Reform Planning Program. Through the work of the leadership team at the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services, and the Statewide Reentry Task Force, a list of recommendations was presented to the Commission. On May 20, 2015, these recommendations were approved and endorsed by the Commission members, demonstrating continued commitment to cross-agency collaboration and support of the implementation process.

The Commission strongly supports the IDOC/DYS application for SCA Implementation Funding, and is committed to advancing the goals and objectives of the Action Plan.

Sincerely,

Deputy Chief of Staff, Governor Mike Pence

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